

Virginia Department of Health

Role of the Emergency Planner

VDH EP&R Mission

- “...effectively respond to any emergency impacting public health through preparation, collaboration, education and rapid intervention.”

Planner Functions

- District Planner
 - ◆ Develop / Maintain EP&R Plans.
 - ◆ Ensure HD aware of VDH Plans.
 - ◆ District Strategic Planner
 - ◆ District Surge Planner
- Partner internally and externally.
 - ◆ Liaison to / with other agencies
 - ◆ Liaison to / with other districts
 - ◆ EOC / Director's Representative
 - ◆ District Hospital Coordinator
- District EP&R Subject Matter Expert
- District Data Manager
 - ◆ Collect, process, evaluate and report information.

Functions (cont'd)

- District Operations Officer
- District SNS Coordinator
 - ◆ Select Sites
 - ◆ Recruit, train, assign, maintain work force
 - ◆ Site Oversight
 - ◆ Liaison with the WORLD
- District Trainer
- Project Manager / Process Team Leader
- Utility Infielder / DLJO
 - ◆ Eg. Back Epi on Investigations

Regional Team Functions

- Bridge
- Coordinate
- Collaborate
- Facilitate
- Liaison / Oversight
- Represent
- Backup
- Prioritize
- Mobilize
- Reinforce
- Plan: SNS, Surge
- Burning Bush / Talking Head / SME

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- Plan: Other State Regions, Coordinating Hospital, +++
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Message to Garcia, A Planner

■ My heart goes out to the ONE who does her work when the "boss" is away, as well as when he is at home. And the ONE who, when given a letter for Garcia, quietly take the missive, without asking any idiotic questions, and with no lurking intention of chucking it into the nearest sewer, or of doing aught else but deliver it, never gets "laid off," nor has to go on a strike for higher wages. Civilization is one long anxious search for just such individuals. Anything such a PERSON asks shall be granted; her kind is so rare that no employer can afford to let her go. She is wanted in every city, town and village- in every office, shop, store and factory. The world cries out for such: she is needed, & needed badly- the ONE who can carry a message to Garcia.